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The Galenus Factory in Sofia 1

1. Galenus, the only large pharmaceutical factory in Bulgaria, was recently transferred in location to No. 16 Ilyantsi Street in Sofia. It is about a 30-minute ride from the center of the city on streetcar line No. 6.
2. The factory has two departments, as follows:
 - a. A department for ampullae, syrups, extracts, and tablets; and
 - b. A department for chemicals.
3. In the largest department, glass ampullae for injections are filled, Acetisal, Dover's, and quinine tablets are produced, Tonica, Pertusin, and Pertusal syrup are produced, and extracts are made from Bulgarian plants, including valerian, gentian, and viscum-album.
4. The chemical department, which is to be expanded in 1953, employs four pharmacists and a staff of 11 technicians. Experiments are being conducted in the manufacture of sulphonamides and chloromycetin. Experiments with pronosone and chloromycetin have been successful in the laboratory stage, but these drugs have not yet reached the production stage. This department produces inorganic salts (sodium sulphate, barium sulphate, and calcium chloride) on a commercial scale and makes Degalen, an extract of digitalis.
5. New machinery was ordered in 1952 to replace the present worn equipment.
6. Exchange of information on work being done in different departments of Galenus is forbidden.
7. Sulfuric acid is imported from the USSR and Czechoslovakia.

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8. [redacted] officials of Galenus:

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- a. Petko Stanchev, manager of Galenus
[redacted]
- b. Boris Yordanov, former manager of Galenus
[redacted]
- c. Mara Devanova (a woman), head of the Extracts Department
[redacted]
- d. Stoyan (fnu)², head of the Tablets Department
[redacted]
- e. Tselsov (fnu), head of the Ampullae Department
[redacted]
- f. Georzi Tsenov, head of the Chemical Department
[redacted]

Other Pharmaceutical Agencies in Sofia

9. Other pharmaceutical agencies in Sofia are as follows:

- a. Meditsinsko Proizvodstvo, a Government institution located at No. 5 Milodinovi Brothers Street; this agency plans pharmaceutical production and procures raw materials; and
- b. Aptechna Upravlenie (Pharmaceutical Administration), located on George Washington Street, markets pharmaceutical products.³

Comments:

- 1. [redacted]
- 2. This should read either Stoyan (lnu) or Stoyanov (fnu).
- 3. [redacted]

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